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For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR DEVICE ACCESS FAIRNESS IN FIBRE CHANNEL ARBITRATED LOOP SYSTEMS

## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated July 2, 2007, for which a response is due on October 2, 2007, and for which a 1-month extension of time is also requested to extend the time for response from October 2, 2007, to November 2, 2007, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.